

107030844

531 Rec'd PCT 11 JAN 2002

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: Not yet assigned

Filing Date: Herewith

Applicant: FRANKS, et al.

Title: METHOD FOR SELECTING GOODS/SERVICES IN
TRADE MARK TRANSACTION PROCESSING

Attorney Docket: 5897-000009

Box PCT
Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants herewith submit this Preliminary Amendment to the application filed herewith, for consideration prior to the calculation of the filing fee, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1 - 32 without prejudice and replace with new claims 33 - 59.

33. (NEW) An internet based system configurable to allow a user to file at least one trade mark application said system comprising:

means for presenting a predetermined list of goods/services to said user of said service system; and

means for selecting said goods/services from said predetermined list.

34. (NEW) An internet based system as claimed in claim 1 wherein said means for presenting said goods/services comprises use of at least one drop down menu.

35. (NEW) An internet based system as claimed in claim 1, wherein said means for presenting said goods/services comprises use of at least one scroll bar window.

36. (NEW) An internet based system as claimed in claim 1, wherein said means for selecting said goods/services comprises use of at least one icon, whereby said user of said system- selects said goods/services via selection of said icon.

37. (NEW) An internet based system as claimed claim 1, wherein said means for selecting said goods/services comprises use of at least one box, whereby said user of said system selects said goods/services via selection of said box.

38. (NEW) An internet based system as claimed in claim 1, wherein said means for selecting said goods/services comprises a means selected from the set:

highlighting means, whereby said user of said system selects said goods/services by highlighting said goods/services; and

underlining means, whereby said user of said system selects said goods/services by underlining said goods/services.

39. (NEW) A method of presenting and selecting goods/services; said goods/services forming part of a trade mark application, said trade mark application being made via an internet based system said method comprising the steps of:

presenting a predetermined list of goods/services to a user of said system;

and

selecting said goods/services from said predetermined list.

40. (NEW) A method of presenting and selecting goods/services as claimed in claim 7, wherein:

present said predetermined list of said goods/services are presented as:

class headings; and

additional words.

41. (NEW) A method of presenting and selecting goods/services as claimed in claim 7, further comprising the steps of:

presenting said predetermined list of said goods/services using at least one drop down menu.

42. (NEW) A method of presenting and selecting goods/services as claimed in claim 7, further comprising the step of:

presenting said predetermined list of said goods/services using at least one scroll bar window.

43. (NEW) A method of presenting and selecting goods/services as claimed in any one of claim 7, further comprising the step of:

selecting said goods/services from said predetermined list using any of the following set:

at least one icon;

at least one box;

at least one text box.

44. (NEW) A method of presenting and selecting goods/services as claimed in claim 7, further comprising the steps of:

presenting said goods/services as class headings using a scrollbar window;

selecting said goods/services; and

entering additional words within a suitable text box.

45. (NEW) A method of presenting and selecting goods/services as claimed in claim 7, further comprising the steps of:

presenting said goods/services as class headings using a scrollbar window;

presenting additional words of said goods/services using a scrollbar window; and

selecting said class headings and said additional words by highlighting said class headings and said additional words.

46. (NEW) A method of presenting and selecting goods/services as claimed in claim 7, comprising the steps of:

presenting said goods/services as class headings using a first scrollbar window;

presenting additional words of said goods/services using a second scrollbar window, said second scrollbar window being generated from said first scrollbar window.

47. (NEW) A method of presenting and selecting goods/services as claimed in claim 7, comprising the steps of:

sorting said goods/services into the relevant classes following the presenting and selecting of said goods/services.

48. (NEW) A method of presenting and selecting goods/services as claimed in claim 7, comprising the steps of:

specifying a country in which said trade mark application will be filed;
presenting said goods/services as class headings using a first scrollbar window;
presenting additional words of said goods/services using a second scrollbar window;

said presenting of said goods/services being in the official language of said country in which said trade mark application will be filed.

49. (NEW) A user interface for generating an interactive display capable of receiving instructions for selection of individual goods/services, said user interface comprising:

a plurality of class selection icons for selecting at least one class of goods/services;

wherein said user interface is capable of receiving said instructions by selection of a said class selection icon.

50. (NEW) The user interface as claimed in claim 17, further comprising:

at least one dialogue box for containing a list of individual goods/services by name,

wherein said user interface is capable of receiving said instructions by activation of individual text data within said text dialogue box.

51. (NEW) The user interface as claimed in claim 17, further comprising a dialogue box data entry display, for entering text descriptions of goods/services not listed in said goods/services menu.

52. (NEW) The user interface as claimed in claim 17, wherein said menu dialogue lists a generic text description of goods/services corresponding to a class icon.

53. (NEW) The user interface as claimed in claim 17, further comprising:
a country selection icon capable of receiving instructions for selecting a country
wherein,

upon entering a country code corresponding to a particular country, said
goods/services are displayed in a language appropriate to said selected country.

54. (NEW) A remotely accessible user interface for generating an interactive
display capable of receiving instructions for selection of individual goods/services, said
user interface comprising:

at least one data processor;
at least one memory storing instructions for operating said data processor;
at least one memory for storing data describing a plurality of individual countries,
and text descriptions of classifications of goods/services;

said user interface configured to display:
a plurality of class selection icons for selecting at least one class of
goods/services;

a menu display, listing a generic text description of goods/services corresponding
to a said class icon.

at least one dialogue box display for entering text descriptions of goods/services; wherein said user interface is capable of receiving instructions for selection of at least one class of goods/services by activating a said icon selecting said at least one class of goods/services.

55. (NEW) A method of operation of a user interface for receiving instructions for selection of individual goods/services, said method comprising:

generating an interactive display of a plurality of class icons, each representing a class of goods/services; and

selecting at least one class of goods/ services by activating at least one said class selection icon.

56. (NEW) The method as claimed in claim 23, further comprising the steps of:

generating at least one text menu dialogue box containing a list of individual goods/services by name; and

receiving said instructions by activation of individual text data within said text dialogue box.

57. (NEW) The method as claimed in claim 23, further comprising the steps of:

generating a dialogue box data entry display, for entering text descriptions of goods/services not listed in said goods/services menu.

58. (NEW) The method as claimed in claim 23, further comprising the steps of:

generating a country selection icon capable of receiving instructions for selecting a country,

receiving instructions for selecting a country, by selection of said country selection icon; and

upon entering a country code corresponding to a particular country, displaying said goods/services in a language appropriate to said selected country.

59. (NEW) A method of operation of a remotely accessible user interface for generating an interactive display capable of receiving instructions for selection of individual goods/services, said user interface comprising:

at least one data processor;

at least one memory storing instructions for operating said data processor;

and

at least one memory for storing data describing a plurality of individual countries, and text descriptions of classifications of goods/services;

said method comprising the steps of:

displaying a plurality of class selection icons for selecting at least one class of goods/services;

displaying a menu dialogue, listing a generic text description of goods/services corresponding to a said class selection icon;

displaying at least one dialogue box display for entering text descriptions of goods/services;

receiving instructions for selection of at least one class of goods/services by activating a said class selection icon selecting said at least one class of goods/services; and

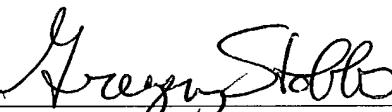
receiving instructions for selection of individual goods/services by receiving text descriptions of said goods/services entered via a said dialogue box display for entering text.

REMARKS

After entry of this amendment, claims 33- 59 are pending in the application. Claims 1 – 32 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 33 - 59 have been added in this amendment.

The purpose of this preliminary amendment is to remove multiple dependent claims from the application to reduce filing costs. Favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested..

Respectfully submitted,

By: 
Gregory A. Stobbs
Attorney for Applicants
Registration No. 28,764

Harness, Dickey & Pierce
P. O. Box 828
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48303
(248) 641-1600